

2012 STEP Park Ranger Position

GS-4 (15.46/hr.) or GS-5 (17.30/hr.) depending on qualifications and experience.

Dates of employment: as early in May as possible – ideally start work by May 7. Last day would be August 24th

Work environment: Primarily works at the refuge visitor center providing information and giving programs to visitors. Our VC is located 8 miles from the AK/Canada border (US Border Custom Station), operates on generator power, phone and radio communications but no internet. Would be working with other staff (local Native residents, volunteers, HQ and maintenance staff) in the operation and maintenance of the VC. You may be training/coaching other staff and volunteers depending on your level of experience. We try to keep two people on staff however there may be times when you are working alone when visitation is slow.

Duties: 1) Providing information on what to see and do on Tetlin Refuge and in Alaska, local flora and fauna, and visitor amenities. 2) Presenting interpretive programs that range from short impromptu discussions to organized presentations, trail walks and deck talks. 3) Responsible for operating and maintaining a clean and safe facility and grounds. 4) Operating a small bookstore 5) Presenting scheduled evening interpretive programs at Deadman Lake campground.

Living situation: The individual would be living in new refuge bunkhouse facility with individual sleeping cabins (possibly shared at times) and a main cabin for communal living/eating/bathing. There is a more than moderate amount of highway driving involved with commuting between refuge facilities located along the AK Highway.

Training: May 21-25 will most likely be our refuge training week. Required training includes – First aid/CPR and bear awareness/shotgun training (there will be few occasions where you will need to carry or have a shotgun in possession however it is good to know how to competently use one).